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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT -
LISTING ART FROM PRIOR APPLICATION(S) WITH FORM PTO-1449(s)

Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

June 7, 2000

Sir:

Attention is directed to MPEP §904 which states that, "In all continuing applications, the parent applications should be reviewed by the examiner for pertinent prior art.", and further states that the fact of review "...should be made of record in accordance with the procedure set forth ...[in] ...MPEP §717.05." Applicant respectfully notes that the present application is related to prior application Serial No. 08/311,021 filed on September 22, 1994, and application Serial No. 08/038,684 filed on March 29, 1993.

Further, attention is directed to MPEP §609 which states that a list of the information (e.g., prior art) which was cited or submitted in a parent application "...need not be submitted in the continuing application unless the applicant desires the information to be printed on the patent." As Applicant desires that all prior art information from the prior application(s) be printed on any patent from the present application, enclosed herewith, for Examiner initialing, is an appropriate number of Form PTO-1449s listing art

cited in such prior application(s). In addition to the submitted PTO-1449s, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner perform independent review of the prior application(s) and utilize any necessary Form PTO-892s to ensure that all known prior application art is considered and listed on any patent from the present application.

No copies of such art are being provided herewith in that 37 CFR §1.98(d) states, "A copy of any patent, publication or other information listed in an information disclosure statement is not required to be provided if it was previously cited by or submitted to the Office in a prior application, provided that the prior application is properly identified in the statement and relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 USC §120", i.e., it is respectfully submitted: that pertinent prior application(s) have been properly identified above; that such art was previously cited or submitted (and thus is available) in such prior application(s); and that such prior application(s) are relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 USC §120.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(b)(1) and (3), this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified national application or before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits. Accordingly, no fee is believed necessary.

Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (referencing Case No. 501.32049R00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,



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